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***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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Title: SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER  
PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR A SUPPLIER  
INTERFACE IN A SUPPLY CHAIN  
MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK  
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 10, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

A petition for extension of time is submitted herewith making this response timely.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: